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U.S. Egg Exports

U.S. exports of total shell eggs and products (in-shell egg equivalent, including hatching eggs) amounted to 202.0 million dozen (dz) in 2006, compared to 203.3 million dz in 2005, a drop of slightly less than 1 %. The slight decline was associated directly or indirectly (trade diversions) with the recovery of several countries from outbreaks of the Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) that occurred in 2005 and 2006.

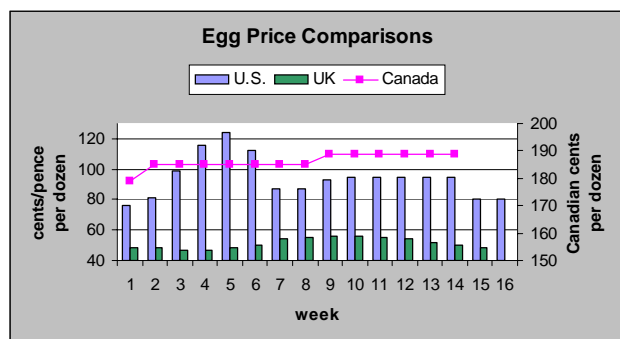
Table egg exports (H.S. 0407000040) totaled 55.7 million dz in 2006, down 10 % from the 61.8 million dz table eggs exported in 2005.

Exports to our top market, East Asia, fell to 24.1 million dz in 2006 compared to 30.9 million dz in 2005, a 22 % drop. North American exports dropped 11%, from 22.7 million dz in 2006 compared to 25.6 million dz in 2005 due to a sharp decrease in exports to Canada. Canada imported 17.2 million dz in 2006 down from 25.4 million dz in 2005. Exports to the Caribbean, Central America and the Former Soviet Union also fell in 2006.

Exports in 2006 surged to the EU-27, South America, the Middle East and Oceania. For the EU, exports totaled 2.2 million dz compared to .3 million in 2005 and exports to South America totaled 1.1 million dz in 2006 up from only 808 dz eggs in 2005 (.0008 million dz). Exports to the Middle East increased to 1.5 million dz from .8 million dz, up 87%. Exports to Oceania rose to 1.3 million dz in 2006 from 1.0 million in 2005, an increase of 36 %.

Source: ERS/USDA Livestock, Dairy, & Poultry Outlook; US Department of Commerce, Foreign Trade

World Egg Price Comparisons



U.S.: Northeast Region average prices on sales to volume buyers; Large (56-65g) white eggs, graded in cartons, U.S. cents per dz (USDA/AMS Poultry Market News)

Canada: Toronto wholesale weighted average price Large (56-63g) white eggs, graded in cartons, Canadian cents per dz (Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, AISD, AID, Poultry Section)

UK: London weekly average wholesale-to-retailers prices Medium (53-63g) white eggs, pence per dz (http://statistics.defra.gov.uk/esg/publications/amr/Poultry_Eggs.xls)

Monthly Weighted Average for Eggs, by Country

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr
Japan	157	193		
Mexico	11.04	10.99	9.60	
*Philippines	3.19	3.19	3.19	3.22

Japan -Tokyo Wholesale Price, Yen/kg (Agriculture & Livestock Industries Corporation) Mexico - Producer Price, Non-washed, non-graded, bulk pack, peso per kg (USAPEEC with information from UNA)

Philippines - Manila Wholesale Market Price, Peso/kg

*Prices are first week of month (Prices of meat and poultry were gathered by the Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI) from 24 wet markets and 12 supermarkets)

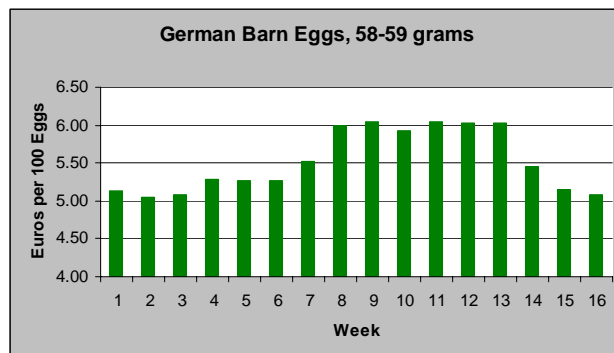


Prices for 63-73 gram size egg. Source and copyright: ZMP GmbH, Bonn, <http://www.zmp.de> PreisBarometer NR 1 /6 January 2007 through NR 16 / 21 April 2007

Specialty Eggs

The U.S. Congress passed the Organic Foods Production Act of 1990 to establish national standards for organically produced commodities, and the USDA implemented the standards in October 2002. During 2007 prices on large brown organic eggs to first receivers were \$2.17-\$2.50 for January 8 through February 5, and \$2.24-\$2.50 through April 23. In the EU, conventional battery cages will be outlawed in 2012. Some retailers have already begun replacing eggs from caged hens with barn, free-range and organic eggs.

Source: USDA/ERS, USDA/AMS Poultry Market News and various news sources



Prices by 100 pieces (excludes VAT). Through packing station, determined by means of various sources

INSPECTED EGG PRODUCTS-**U.S. & CANADA IMPORT/EXPORT TRADE****U.S. Exports to Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)**

Week Ending April 14, 2007		Year-To-Date		
TYPE	2007	2006 1/	2007 2/	2006
Liquid	194	97	2,061	2,911
Frozen	2	4	7	84
Dried	0	0	169	146
Total	196	101	2,237	3,141

U.S. Imports From Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)

Week Ending April 14, 2007		Year-To-Date		
TYPE	2007	2006 1/	2007 2/	2006
Liquid	197	41	4,443	809
Frozen	0	14	113	278
Dried	80	0	271	41
Total	277	55	4,827	1,128

Inspected Shell Eggs**U.S Exports To Canada, In 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary)**

Week Ending April 14, 2007		Year-To-Date		
TYPE	2007	2006 1/	2007 2/	2006
Jumbo	0	0	0	150
Extra Large	1,920	3,750	9,539	23,070
Large	360	1,790	24,061	28,185
Medium	2,220	2,070	13,805	21,035
Ungraded	780	864	15,320	21,944
Misc	0	0	865	1,800
Total	5,280	8,474	63,590	96,184

1/ Comparable Week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding.

2/ Includes revisions to previous week(s).

Data Source: Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, AISD, AID, Poultry Section
Source: USDA/AMS Poultry Programs, Market News & Analysis Branch.**CENTRAL REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN**

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE CENTRAL REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

April 20, 2007				
CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED				
--- PRICES ---			---- VOLUME ----	
FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	16.00	40,800	-
WTD AVERAGE		16.00		
15-20%				
RANGE	16.00-20.00	11.00-15.25	2,236,400	530,400
WTD AVERAGE	18.34	12.04		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

* INCLUDES THE STATES of AL, AR, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MI, MN, MO, MS, ND, NE, OK, OH, SD, TN, TX, WI

U.S./CANADIAN LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER INSPECTION

W/E 14-Apr-07 (PRELIMINARY)

U.S. Fowl Slaughtered Domestically

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
-----Thousands-----			
Head	1,114	1,376	2,490
Last Week	1,117	1,422	2,539
Same week yr ago	1,018	1,333	2,351
To-date/2007	16,785	20,291	37,076
To-date/2006	17,966	21,537	39,503

U.S. Fowl Slaughtered in Canada

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
-----Thousands-----			
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Same week yr ago	1,018	1,333	2,351
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Total U.S. Fowl slaughtered in the U.S. and Canada

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
-----Thousands-----			
Head	1,353	1,376	2,729
Last Week	1,273	1,422	2,695
Same week yr ago	1,125	1,336	2,461
To-date/2007	19,942	20,305	40,247
To-date/2006	21,618	21,547	43,165

Source: USDA/AMS Poultry Programs, Market News & Analysis Branch

EASTERN REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE EASTERN REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

April 20, 2007				
CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED				
--- PRICES ---			---- VOLUME ----	
FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	17.00	16.00-17.00	660,600	258,800
WTD AVERAGE	17.00	16.40		
15-20%				
RANGE	15.50-21.00	11.00-16.00	2,092,000	1,252,000
WTD AVERAGE	17.52	13.71		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	14.00	40,000	-
WTD AVERAGE		14.00		

* INCLUDES THE STATES of CT, DE, FL, GA, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, VA, VT, WV

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS INCLUDING BULK MEAT and FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 20 APRIL, 2007.

The market tone on tom drums was mostly steady, tom wings steady to instances fully steady, tom necks steady to firm. Demand light to moderate on tom drums, moderate on tom wings, moderate to good on tom necks. Offerings of tom drums adequate to fully adequate on fresh, frozen tom drums light to adequate, tom wings short to light, tom necks short of buyers' needs. Trading was active on tom drums for domestic and export shipments, balance slow to moderate. For domestic: livers 17 pet foods, hearts 23-24, fresh scapula 117-123 mostly 118, fresh breast trim 120, non-basted rib breasts - plant grade 8-10 lb. 120, 10-12 lb. 170, 12-14 lb. 180, Grade A 8-10 lb. 130 and 12-16 lb. 190 cents delivered. For export: tom defatted gizzards 73, fresh thigh meat 95.50 cents delivered.

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)	WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICE	WEEKLY VOLUME (000)
FRIDAY, APRIL 20, 2007						
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	49.00-50.00		49.84	248	49.52	380
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	39.00		39.00	156	39.20	196
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	52.50	208		
TAILS	27.00		27.00	40	27.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/	24.00		24.00	160	22.71	280
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		W	87.23	352	87.56	392

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
EXPORT TRADING				
THURSDAY, APRIL 19, 2007				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	49.50		49.50	40
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	40.00		40.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	52.50	208
TAILS		R	25.86	728
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/		T	21.00	120
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		W	87.23	352

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
EXPORT TRADING				
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18, 2007				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	48.00		48.00	52
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	52.50	208
TAILS		R	25.86	728
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/		T	21.00	120
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	87.00-89.00		87.23	352

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
EXPORT TRADING				
TUESDAY, APRIL 17, 2007				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	49.50		49.50	40
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	52.50	208
TAILS		R	25.86	728
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/	21.00		21.00	120
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	90.50		90.50	40

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
EXPORT TRADING				
MONDAY, APRIL 16, 2007				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		F	51.00	80
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	52.50	208
TAILS		R	25.86	728
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/				
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		F	88.00	240

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.): M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Product contains 15-20% fat with skin added.